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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of:

Jens PETERSEN, et al.

Serial No.: 09/938,670

Filing Date: August 27, 2001

Title: POLYACRYLAMIDE HYDROGEL

AND ITS USE AS AN ENDOPROSTHESIS

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Examiner:

David J. Isabella

Confirmation No.: 2509

PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME,
STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.133
AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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## **PETITION**

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) non-final Office Action mailed on August 11, 2004 in the above-captioned application (the Application). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the time for response be extended up to and including December 11, 2004. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct the amount of \$120.00 from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 to cover the one-month extension of time fee.

## RESPONSE

This Amendment is filed in response to a non-final Office Action dated August 11, 2004 in the Application and in view of the Examiner interview held on December 8, 2004.

Amendment to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this Amendment.

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